

Flatulent Eructations and Offensive Breath Render Many People Obnoxious To Others, and Cause Them To Be Shunned

The eructation or belching of gas from the stomach is a very common circumstance, and may develop in some cases upon the nature of the food ingested, without the existence of any deviation from health by cause of extreme flatulence, the eructation of large quantities of gas may take place, forming a source of considerable inconvenience, and frequent annoyance, although affording some relief to the feeling of distension that exists in the stomach.

Sometimes the gas discharged is of a fetid character—may be so foul, indeed, as to render the unfortunate person's presence almost unbearable to others. Owing to imperfect secreting action, or to a defective state of the gastric juice, putrefactive changes take place among the contents of the stomach, and as the result sulphuretted hydrogen and other such foul gaseous products of decomposition, are evolved. Hence the eructations or belchings present the offensive odor of decayed animal and vegetable matter, and the victim of this deplorable condition usually has a continuous bad breath, which is so disagreeable as to cause them to be shunned by their friends.

The medical profession invariably prescribes and recommends the use of charcoal for the correction and cure of this condition, which has often been the means of causing people to avoid social intercourse, and the pleasures of the theatre and other public places of amusement. This deprivation is, however, wholly unnecessary, as charcoal is a wonderful absorbent of gases, and possesses the power of absorbing one hundred times its own volume; and when Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges, which are made from the best willow charcoal, are taken into the stomach, every particle of the foul gases existing there is removed, absorbed, and decomposition and fermentation of food is prevented, and the stomach and entire intestinal system is made healthy and antiseptic, all disease germs and microbes being destroyed and removed.

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ALLIANCE FRANCAISE.

Second Lecture in Course Before Bridgeport Society by Distinguished Frenchman.

The second lecture of the Alliance Francaise took place at the Stratfield in Bridgeport Wednesday evening, with a large audience in attendance. The lecturer was M. Camille Bonart, curator of the museum of the Trocadero, Paris. His subject was the architecture and life of the monasteries of the Middle Ages.

M. Bonart has made special studies of architecture, particularly the architecture of the monasteries. His lecture was illustrated by views, made mostly from photographs taken by himself.

After a brief introduction in which he detailed the organization of the orders, their history, their daily programmes, he proceeded to give by means of the views a most graphic idea of the life of devotion led by the monks. He showed the cloisters, refectories, chapels, chapter rooms of the various monasteries of Italy, Spain, and especially France and Cyprus. In these monasteries are found some of the most beautiful examples of Norman and Gothic architecture to be found anywhere, and by reason of this the views were most attractive.—Bridgeport Telegram.

BATTLE OF RIDGEFIELD.

George M. Olcott Erects Memorial Tablet to Patriots.

George M. Olcott's handsome residence and extensive grounds are on part of the site where was fought the battle of Ridgefield, April 27, 1777, when General Tryon's troops were on their retreat from Danbury to the north, and were attacked by Americans. Several of the colonials and the British soldiers who fell in the battle were buried on land now owned by Mr. Olcott. To the site of the battle and in memory of those who lost their lives in it Mr. Olcott has had a handsome tablet placed in the substantial stone wall he is building on the Main street side of his property. The inscription is in letters of gold, and can easily be read by those passing on the walk. The stone is 2 feet 9 inches by 2 feet 7 inches in size and bears the following inscription:

In defense of American Independence, At the Battle of Ridgefield, April 27, 1777.

Eight Patriots Who Were Laid in These Grounds Companied by Sixteen British Soldiers, Living, Their Enemies, Dying, Their Guests.

"In honor of service and sacrifice This memorial is placed For the strengthening of hearts."

On the opposite side of the street in front of George H. Newton's place, is the spot where his horse was shot under Gen. Benedict Arnold, who was in command of the colonials.

The Cold and the Wind. What charming shivery days we have been having! Blue skies, quiet air, and the soul of the iceberg all in one. There are two things that make the joy of these natural glories, and they are the lack of proper clothes and the lack of natural gas. These things, and especially the latter, make the glorious cold days seem harsh.

We do not incline to belittle the cruel incincerence, but to regard it as the opportunity for the exertion of that unconquerable spirit, which can raise the thermometer ten degrees in ten minutes. To illustrate: We asked a man on the street recently, who was out on the street without an overcoat, "aren't you cold?" There was a triumph in his eye. He promptly answered: "No sir; not a bit of it. I don't mind the cold."

Here was the triumph of mind over matter. That man was cold, but he was not, but he didn't know it. He had made up his mind that he would whip out that cold day, and he did. He was just as proud, yes, prouder, of not having an overcoat, than we were of having one. While we were talking, a brisk breeze, filled with a thousand invisible razors, rushed around the corner and fairly froze the roots of our hair, but he only smiled and said: "Ah, isn't that nice?"—Ohio State Journal.

"Is your new girl getting so that she can understand English?" asked the caller. "No," replied young Mrs. Keweenaw, "but I am learning Hungarian rapidly."—Newark News.

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NINETY-NINTH BIRTHDAY

Celebrated on Friday by Miss Annie Conant of Spring Hill.

Miss Annie Conant observed the 99th anniversary of her birth Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gardiner of Spring Hill. Miss Conant enjoys the distinction of being the oldest resident of the town of Mansfield, and one of the oldest in eastern Connecticut. She is a native of Mansfield and has always resided there. Mrs. Sarah Conant, aged 96, who died on Sunday, December 5, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner, was a sister. Miss Conant enjoys fairly good health but is unable to leave her room. She reads some, and her sight is good, but her hearing is somewhat affected. She is a direct descendant of Roger Conant, who came to America from Devonshire, England, in 1637 and is said to have built the first house at Salem, Mass.

No especial demonstration marked the day, although a number of neighbors called to congratulate Miss Conant and leave some pleasant remembrances in the form of gifts.

CHAPMAN-SNOW WEDDING

To Take Place on Thirty-fifth Anniversary of Marriage of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Snow.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Nettie Ethel, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Snow of Chaplin, and Samuel Chauncey Chapman of that place. The ceremony will take place Friday evening, December 21, at 7:30 o'clock, and will be at the home of the prospective bride's parents, Colonial hall, Chaplin. Coincident with the affair, Mr. and Mrs. Snow will observe the 35th anniversary of their own wedding, which took place in Ashford.

Game for This Evening.

A game of basketball is scheduled for this evening in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium between the Excelsiors and the Jolly Five. It is reported that the visitors are a more choice bunch than last year, and a good contest should result.

Heavy Mail.

In view of the heavy ante-holiday mail being handled at the local post office daily, everything tends to indicate the biggest business this year since the establishment of the office and in all departments.

Daniel A. Sullivan Ill.

General Delivery and Stamp Clerk Daniel A. Sullivan of the local post office is suffering with what is reported as a case of acute indigestion and is receiving treatment at St. Joseph's hospital, where he went Friday. Mr. Sullivan was taken ill Thursday evening and had to stop work Friday morning.

Big Stack Finished.

The handsome new stack, to be used in connection with the new boiler house that will furnish heat for the state normal and state-teacher model schools, was completed by the contractors, the Peck-McWilliams Co. of Norwich, Friday. Laborers are now busy taking down the staging.

FUNERAL.

Gilbert S. Williams.

The funeral of Gilbert Smith Williams was held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home in Mansfield Hollow. Rev. Walter E. Langhorne, pastor of the Mansfield Congregational church, was the officiating clergyman. The bearers were P. W. Thompson, P. E. Potter, Eugene Whitton and O. T. Skoldberg. Burial was in the Williams cemetery. Funeral Director H. N. Penn of this city was in charge of the arrangements.

News in General.

Victor Pelouquin of Putnam, formerly of this city, was in town Friday.

Mrs. E. Frank Bugbee and Miss Mabel H. Johnson were Hartford visitors Friday.

William P. Allen was in Hartford and other middle Connecticut cities on business Friday.

The three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver of South Coventry died Tuesday of diphtheria.

Mrs. Helen Harrington, who attends Bradford academy, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Harrington, for the holiday recess.

Miss Margery Brick, a student at Wellesley college, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Brick, Windham road, for the holidays.

Mrs. Frederick Cummings and his daughter, Carolyn, who have been visiting the former's parents, Gen. and Mrs. E. S. Foss of Windham road, have returned to Concord, N. H.

Attorney Charles A. Capen, who has been laid up for the past few weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, is able to get out a little and expects to be able to resume duties the first of the week.

Men Who Write Detective Novels.

Thus their "regulars," men who are looked to to supply each week some 23,000 words about an established hero, are men who can be depended upon to attend to business, generally men of standing in their respective communities and frequently men of considerable means. The creator of the beloved "Old Shatter" was for years a member of the Brooklyn board of education.

The Georgia colonel who sponsored another nickel hero, "Fred Fearnot," was once a Baptist preacher, and always remained on cordial terms with his sometimes brethren. Boston newspaper offices have graduated four men, at least, who either write a library each week, or respond to occasional emergency calls, and probably any one of the four would be welcomed back at any moment, as a capable and valued man, to daily journalism.

Franklin D. Dick, who practically wrote more than thirteen years ago, has told of them with extraordinary ingenuity and vivacity; and this gentleman had done excellent things in fiction before he started on his perpetual serial; as, to be honest about it, he has frequently done since.

The standard payment for a half-dime library is \$50, but many a writer receives more—the author of the Merriwell stories some many times more that mention of the sum would provoke indignant shrieks of protest from ninety-nine per cent. of our "standard" novelists. And the publishers, besides being always prompt to make payment, are customarily inclined to be generous, showing a complaisance, in respect of advances, which the average man of business is painfully reluctant to initiate. It therefore comes to pass that many a literary man who would blush to be suspected of the crime of friendly relations with the energetic gentlemen in Seventh avenue and Union square—Boston Transcript.

Coon vs. 'Possum.

"Coon meat looks and tastes something like guinea fowl, being dark and tough unless fixed up right. A coon is more dainty and praiseworthy than a 'possum about what it eats. A 'possum, like a hog, will eat anything, any sort of carcass. Many old southern darkies hold to the belief that they must have at least one mess of coon meat a winter to keep off old-fashioned negro consumption, which used to ravage negroes even worse than it now does the Indians."—N. Y. Press.

"Your husband is a great home-lover, isn't he?" "Yes, especially on the evenings when we're invited out together."—Detroit Free Press.

GLEANINGS.

The telephone and telegraph wires of the United States would encircle the earth at the equator more than 600 times.

A man has just been arrested in Chicago who has been making his living by writing sacred songs and stealing horses.

Sunflower seeds are used as food by Russian peasants; the bulk of the crop is used for feeding animals. The crop for 1908 amounted to 576,000 tons. The sunflower seed oil is used for cooking.

The anti-suffragists have announced Mrs. George Cornwallis West (Lady Randolph Churchill) among the speakers whom they have engaged to teach American women the virtue of keeping out of politics.

Three thousand copies of the Oklahoma game laws, printed in the Choctaw and Cherokee languages, have been sent to southeastern Oklahoma for distribution among the Indians. The Oklahoma Indian believes that his right to hunt is based only upon divine laws.—Kansas City Times.

Ninety per cent. of the population of western India is dependent upon fish for sustenance. It is doubtful whether any other country has such a variety of fish, but very little has been done to improve the fisheries. The most primitive methods are used, and as a result an enormous amount of food remains uncaptured.

Consul General R. M. Bartleman of Buenos Ayres reports that the president of the Argentine Republic has signed the bill approving the contract with John Oldham, representing the Western Telegraph company, for the construction of a direct cable between the Argentine Republic and the continent of Europe.

Capt. Charles E. Shillaber, who is building a canal from Tampico to Tuxtepec for the Mexican government, is 70 years old. He was a sailor 33 years, and his great-grandfather, William Shillaber, was on the Bon Homme Richard with Paul Jones when he captured the Serapis in the English channel after a desperate fight.

Nearly 210,000 coin cards have been sent out this year by the young people's missionary department of the Methodist Episcopal boards of home and foreign missions, in furtherance of the plan to promote in the Sunday schools such regularity in giving as shall insure a million dollars annually for missions from these schools.

The "singing arc" has been so far perfected that it is made use of as an advertisement feature of a Paris shop. The lamp hangs in front of the store and at all times during the day and night there is a continual concert of musical features interspersed with vocal references to the virtues of the articles to be found on sale within the store.

Theodore McCune, Arctic and African explorer and follower of the sea as captain of a merchant vessel for 35 years, died at a hospital in New York. Sea, life saving and his venturesome spirit not being satisfied with explorations in Africa, McCune, assisted by friends, fitted out an expedition for the far north. He was away two years and did not recover from the hardships endured during the trip for a long time.

Frankfort papers announce that an exposition of office furniture and business equipment will be held during the last week of April, 1910, at the Festivities hall in that city. It is intended to show here the latest and best directions in articles used in the countingroom and for business offices, such as typewriters, cash registers, counting machines, copying and adding machines, and all other apparatus, implements and furniture for business purposes.

The construction of the second of the twin tunnels forming the Sempron (Simplon) route through the Alps is

under consideration by the Swiss and Italian authorities having jurisdiction of the matter, and it is announced that work will be undertaken at an early date. The single tunnel now in use is giving complete satisfaction. Trains are hauled through the mountain by electricity, without trouble from gas and smoke, and in from 20 to 30 minutes, while ventilation is excellent.

EMBROIDERY HINTS TO HELP THE AMATEUR.

A thing to remember in embroidery is always to fasten your thread by running it backward and forward on the wrong side of the embroidery and then to cut the thread and start afresh on the next design.

Never carry the thread from one design to another, as it invariably shows when the embroidery is done up. If the material is sheer it shows through and if heavy it makes an ugly ridge.

Afternoon tea cloths with crochet lace borders are among the newest patterns in this department of the linen outfitting.

Many women are making edgings for this purpose, and some of the patterns are fine and beautiful. The crochet cotton should suit the fabric on which the edging is to go, and when the lace is worked with a fine crochet hook a more delicate pattern is the result.

A rose crochet design with leaves is a popular edging and one that is comparatively simple to do.

The corners are made to lie flat and are crocheted separately as a general thing and the four sides made to be joined.

White House Dance Invitations Recalled. Washington, Dec. 17.—Because of the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. H. C. Taft, the president today authorized the recall of the invitations for the dance that was to have been given in the White house December 22.

He Remains Dead. The fact that he was taken for a moment by a dog to the slaughterhouse, Chicago Journal.

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Dr. W. F. Wallace, of Bradford, N. H., says: "I use your Castoria in my practice, and in my family."

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Dr. Howard James, of New York, City, says: "It is with great pleasure that I desire to testify to the medicinal virtue of your Castoria. I have used it with marked benefit in the case of my own daughter, and have obtained excellent results from its administration to other children in my practice."

Dr. J. R. Clausen, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "The name that your Castoria has made for itself in the tens of thousands of homes blessed by the presence of children, scarcely needs to be supplemented by the endorsement of the medical profession, but I, for one, most heartily endorse it and believe it an excellent remedy."

Dr. B. Halstead Scott, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria often for infants during my practice and find it very satisfactory."

Dr. William Belmont, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "Your Castoria stands first in its class. In my thirty years of practice I can say I never have found anything that so filled the place."

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